

I, Thomas A. Beach, Of the City of Fairbury in the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, of lawful age and sound mind and memory, do hereby make, publish and declare the following as and for my last will and testament:

ITEM 1. It is my will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be promptly and fully paid.

ITEM 2. I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Amelia Beach, all of my personal estate of whatsoever kind or ^{so} character and wherever situated, including moneys on hand and all notes, bonds, stocks or evidences of indebtedness due me, for her sole use and benefit forever. And I further Give, devise and bequeath to my said wife Lots One, Two, Three, Four and Five in Block One (1) of I. P. McDowell's Addition to Fairbury; also Lots Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen and Sixteen in said Block One (1); also the south fifty (50) feet of the North half (N $\frac{1}{2}$) of Lots One and Two in Block Thirty-nine (39); also all of Lot Three and the East half (E $\frac{1}{2}$) of Lot Four, in said Block Thirty-nine (39), together with all other real estate of every kind and character, of which I may die seized, situate and being in the City of Fairbury, in the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, lying and being within the boundary lines of said City as they now exist, To have and to hold the same in her own right and in fee, forever.

ITEM 3. I give, devise and bequeath to my daughter, Ella Beach Lewis, the West half (W $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the Northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Number Thirty-five (35), Township Number Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Number Six (6), East, containing two hundred eighty (280) acres more or less, it being the lands described in a deed recorded in Book L at page 407, in the Recorder's Office of Livingston County, Illinois, ^{See} also the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Thirty-four (34), in Town Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Six (6), East of the Third Principal Meridian, Containing forty (40) acres more or less, also the North half (N $\frac{1}{2}$)

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of Section Two (2), In Township Number Twenty-six (26) North,
Range Six (6), East of the Third Principal Meridian, containing
317 and 06/100 acres more or less; also part of the northwest
quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Three (3)
said last tract containing seventy (70) acres more or less, as ^{To Ed}
the same is described in the record of conveyance to me in ^{Here is}
the Recorder's Office of Livingston County, Illinois. To have ^{to Grand}
and to hold the same for and during the term of her natural life,
with remainder in fee to my grandchildren, Thomas Beach Lewis,
Mamie Beach Lewis and Alma Eloise Lewis, share and share alike,
But in the event that either of said grandchildren die without
issue, then the remainder in fee of said deceased grandchild
to the surviving grandchildren or their heirs, share and share
alike.

ITEM 4. - I give and devise to my grandson, Thomas Beach
Lewis, the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the northwest quarter NW $\frac{1}{4}$)
of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Nine (9), and the
~~south half (S $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the southwest~~
quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Number
Four (4), except about nine (9) acres used as right of way for
the railroad, all of said tracts of land being in Township
Number Twenty-six (26) North, Range Six (6), East of the third
Principal Meridian, in the County of Livingston and State
of Illinois, and containing in all three hundred eleven (311) ^{To Pa}
acres more or less, To have and to hold ^{then in} the same for and during ^{Grand}
his natural life, with remainder in fee to his child or child-
ren, absolutely, but if he die without issue, then at his
death, remainder in fee to my grandchildren, Mamie Beach Lewis
and Alma Eloise Lewis, share and share alike.

ITEM 5.- I give and devise to my granddaughter, Mamie Beach
Lewis, ^{Lot Eight in northeast quarter Section Sixteen (16)} the northwest
quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Sixteen (16), and the northeast quarter
(NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Seventeen (17), all of said tracts of land be-
ing in Township Twenty-six (26) North, Range Six (6), East of
the Third Principal Meridian, in the County of Livingston and
State of Illinois

State of Illinois, containing in all four hundred twenty (420) acres more or less. To have and to hold the same for and during the term of her natural life, remainder to her child or children in fee, absolutely, but if she die without issue, then at her death remainder to my other grandchildren, Thomas Beach Lewis and Alma Eloise Lewis, share and share alike.

to Marrie then to her children or grandchildren of T.A.B.

ITEM 6.- I give, devise and bequeath to my granddaughter Alma Eloise Lewis the east half ($SE\frac{1}{2}$) of the southeast quarter ($SE\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Eleven (11) and the West half ($W\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter ($SW\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twelve (12), in Town Twenty-six (26), North, Range Six (6), East of the Third Principal Meridian, in the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres more or less, To have and to hold the same for and during the term of her natural life, with remainder in fee to her child or children absolutely, but if she die without issue, then at her death remainder to my other Grandchildren, Thomas Beach Lewis and Marrie Beach Lewis share and share alike.

to Alma then in fee to her children of T.A.B.

ITEM 7.- I give, devise and bequeath to my executors in trust for the purposes herein named, the following described real estate, to-wit: All of Section Five (5) and the West half ($W\frac{1}{2}$) of Section Four, (4) in Township Number Two (2), North Range (10), East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, in the County of Pawnee, in the State of Nebraska. And it is my will, and I direct and empower them to sell any or all of said lands at such time as they may deem for the best interests of the estate and the beneficiaries under this will, and out of the proceeds of the sale of said lands it is my will that they purchase an additional amount of land for my granddaughter, Alma Eloise Lewis, sufficient to make her holdings equal in value at the time of the additional purchase to the lands devised by me to my other two grandchildren, and the remainder of the proceeds to be divided among my three grandchildren, share and share alike; provided however, if it shall be the best judgment of my executors to hold said land and make division of it in

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kind among my three grandchildren, then it is my will that they shall have the right to make the division and not make a sale but in any division of the lands that they may make they must take into consideration the difference in value of the lands herein devised to my grandchildren and give my granddaughter Alma Eloise Lewis a sufficient amount of the lands described in this item of my will to make her share of my estate equal in value with what I have heretofore devised to her with her brother and sister, and then what remains of the lands described in this item of my will shall be divided equally among my three grandchildren, share and share alike. In the event of the sale of lands and reinvesting of the same in behalf of my ~~grandchildren~~ grandchildren, it is my will and I direct that my trustees invest the proceeds arising from the sale of these lands in other lands, as I have herein directed, and that in taking the deed of conveyance to lands purchased with the proceeds of the sale of the lands described in this item of my will, the deed shall contain a clause providing that the lands so conveyed to my grandchildren shall be only for and during the term of their natural lives, with remainder in fee to their children or children, and if either of said children die without issue, then the remainder to go to the surviving brother or sister, or their descendants, share and share alike.

ITEM 8.- It is my will that during the minority of each of my grandchildren the lands respectively devised to them for life shall remain under the care and management and control of my executors herein named, who shall collect the rents, issues and profits thereof and expend the same in the care, education and support of said grandchildren, or either of them, or invest the surplus in good interest bearing real estate securities, to be held for them in trust until they shall respectively arrive at the age of twenty three years for the ^{daughter} ~~grandchildren~~ and twentieth five years for the grandson.

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ITEM 9.- I give, devise and bequeath to my son-in-law, DR George C. Lewis, the northwest quarter (NW¹/₄) of Section Thirty-one (31) in Township twenty-six (26) North, Range Six (6), East of the Third Principal Meridian, in the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

And LASTLY, I hereby nominate and request the County Court of Livingston County, Illinois, to appoint my said wife, Amelia Beach, My daughter Ella Beach Lewis, and my son-in-law, George C. Lewis, my executors, without bond, hereby empowering them, and the survivors or the survivor of them, to execute the provisions hereof without further appointment in the case of death or resignation or inability to act of either of them, or any two of them, in other words, so long as there shall be one or more of them capable and willing to act as such executor or executors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 24th day of December A. D. 1903, to this my last will and testament, consisting of six single sheets of typewriter paper, of ten Items or Clauses, including LASTLY, as and for my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all wills or codicils thereto by me heretofore made.

Thomas A. Beach (SEAL)

The above typewritten instrument, consisting of six sheets of typewritten paper, and of ten items, including Lastly, was, on this 24th day of December A. D. 1903, signed and sealed by the testator, Thomas A. Beach, and published as and for his last will and testament, and we, at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto affixed our names as witnesses.

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Codicil

I, Thomas A. Beach of Fairbury Illinois do make, publish and declare this to be a codicil to my last will and testament of date December 24th A. D. 1903

First After the death of my ^{wife} Amelia Beach I give, devise and bequeath to my daughter Ella Beach Lewis to have and to hold for and during the term of her natural life with remainder in fee to the heirs of her body, the following described real estate to wit: The South fifty (50) feet of the North half of Lots one (1) and two (2), the East half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of Lot four (4) and All of Lot three (3) in Block thirty nine (39) of the original town, now City of Fairbury, Illinois, (Also Lots One (1) two (2) three (3) four (4) five (5), thirteen (13) fourteen (14) fifteen (15) and sixteen (16) of Block One (1) of I. P. McDowell's addition to the Original town now City of Fairbury, Illinois.)

However except to Ella in fee to heirs of her body

Second I give and bequeath to my daughter Ella B. Lewis in trust the sum of Twenty one thousand (\$21000.00) Dollars to be equally divided among my grandchildren Thomas Beach Lewis, Mamie Beach Lewis and Alma Eloise Lewis. And full discretionary power is vested in my said daughter as trustee to pay over to my said grandchildren ^{their} ~~this~~ respective share of this trust fund and the said trustee may in her discretion pay to each their respective share or pay the same in installments as she may deem best

Third I nominate constitute and appoint my daughter Ella B. Lewis to be sole Executrix of my will without bond, and lastly I do now and here republish and redeclare my will of Date Dec. 24. 1903 together with this codicil to be my last will and codicil

In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 10th day of July A. D. 1907

Thomas A. Beach (SEAL)

Signed, sealed published and declared in our presence and
in the presence of each other and at request of testator as and
for a codicil to and a part of the last will and Testament of
Thomas A. Beach this 10th day of July 1907

Witnesses { Chas W. Neitz
{ Marshall Gordon
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE
OF
ILLINOIS



COUNTY
OF
LIVINGSTON

ESTATE OF Thomas A. Beach DECEASED

Letters Testamentary

In the County Court, Sept. Term, 1911

The People of the State of Illinois, To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

KNOW YE, That whereas Thomas A. Beach
late of the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, died on or about the 2nd.
day of August A. D. 1911, as it is said, after having duly made and pub-
lished his last Will and Testament, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed, leaving at
the time of his death, property in this State, which may be lost, destroyed or dimin-
ished in value, if speedy care be not taken of the same; and inasmuch as it appears that

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has been appointed Executrix in and by the last Will and Testament, to exe-
cute the same.

Now to the end that the said property may be preserved for those who shall appear
to have a legal right or interest therein; and that the said Will may be executed accord-
ing to the request of the said testator, we do hereby authorize the said

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as such executrix, to collect and secure, all and singular, the goods and chattels,
rights and credits, which were of the said Thomas A. Beach
at the time of his decease, in whosoever hands or possession the same may be
found in this State; and well and truly to perform and fulfill all such duties as may
be enjoined upon her by the said Will so far as there shall be property, and the
law charge her; and in general and to do and perform all other acts which now
are, or hereafter may be required of her by law.

Witness, W. W. Kenny Clerk of the
County Court of said County of Livingston, at his office
in Pontiac, this 5th day of Sept.
A. D. 1911, and the seal of said Court hereunto
annexed.

W. W. Kenny
Clerk of the County Court.

By Frank Dewey Deputy.

